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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

61 Claim 11 (currently amended) A mold shaped article comprising a de-molded, mold shaped foamed metal body, wherein the mold shaped foamed metal body is from metal powder, having at least one non-foamable functional structural element integrally bonded and fixedly embedded in the foamed body.

Claim 12 (previously presented) An article according to claim 11, wherein the foamed metal body is sandwiched between two forms.

Claim 13 (previously presented) An article according to claim 12, wherein the forms are made of metal.

Claim 14 (previously presented) An article according to claim 12, wherein at least one of the two forms is curved.

Claim 15 (previously presented) An article according to claim 13, wherein at least one of the two forms is curved.

Claim 16 (previously presented) An article according to claim 11, wherein a form is bonded to at least one outside surface of the foamed metal body.

✓ Claim 17 (cancelled).

62 Claim 18 (currently amended) A mold shaped article comprising a de-molded, mold shaped foamed metal body, wherein the mold shaped foamed metal body is from metal powder, having

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at least one non-foamable functional structural element form fitted and fixedly embedded in the foamed body.

Claim 19 (previously presented) A mold shaped article according to claim 11 wherein the at least non-foamable functional structure element is at least partially encapsulated in the foamed body.

Claim 20 (previously presented) A mold shaped article according to claim 11 wherein the at least non-foamable functional structure element is completely encapsulated in the foamed body.

83 Claim 21 (new) A mold shaped article according to claim 11, prepared by foaming the metal powder with a foaming agent.

84 Claim 22 (new) A mold shaped article according to claim 18, prepared by foaming the metal powder with a foaming agent.